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Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants are submitting herewith copies of the documents listed in the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 for the Examiner's consideration.

This information disclosure statement is being submitted within three months of the filing date.

To the extent the documents listed on the attached form equivalent to Form PTO-1449 are not in the English language, the requirement of 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance is satisfied by the discussion of these documents in the specification and an English language translation of the documents.

It is respectfully requested that this information disclosure statement be considered by the Examiner.

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